Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 26 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 27 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 25 Aug 2023 at 11:28 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence in showery weather initially however uncertainty in amount and timing of showers, low confidence in the forecast from Tuesday.

Headline for Saturday 26 Aug 2023: Bright start but showers developing perhaps some sunny spells further west.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 26 Aug 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** No Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Dull	Cloudy	Mist	Light rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	10%	40%	60%	60%	60%

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Weather: A bright start although some early morning mist and fog patches are likely especially around northern facing hills. A few sunny spells for the more eastern ranges towards Speyside and perhaps the Northern Cairngorms but then turning showery once again in the afternoon and evening, showers tending to move through reasonably well in fresh northerly breezes.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, early morning low cloud will tend to lift and thin.

Low cloud and visibility: Broken low cloud for northern ranges in the morning above 600m will lift and thin although not likely to clear altogether especially around Monadhliath and Ben Alder where it might be more persistent. Cloud thickening and lowering temporarily in any heavier afternoon showers. Visibility will be generally good but become moderate in heavier showers and very poor in early mist and fog.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	12/16 N	15/20 N	15/20 N	13/17 N	11/16 N	12/17 N	15/21 N	14/19 N	14/19 NW
900	8/11 NE	10/13 NE	10/13 N	9/13 N	8/12 N	9/13 N	13/17 N	10/14 N	10/14 NW
600	4/7 NE	5/8 NE	5/7 N	5/9 NW	5/9 NW	7/11 N	7/12 N	5/9 N	6/10 NW
300	3/6 NE	2/7 N	2/6 N	4/8 NW	4/9 W	5/11 N	6/12 N	5/11 NW	6/12 NW
Glen	1/6 N	1/8 N	2/8 NW	3/10 NW	4/10 W	4/12 N	4/12 N	3/11 NW	3/10 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	4/-0	4/-1	4/-1	5/1	6/3	6/3	5/1	5/1	4/0
900	6/4	6/3	6/4	7/5	9/7	9/7	8/5	8/5	7/4
600	8/8	8/7	8/7	10/8	11/10	12/10	11/9	10/9	9/8
300	10/9	10/10	10/10	11/11	13/12	13/13	12/11	11/10	11/10
Glen	10/10	10/10	10/10	12/12	14/14	15/14	14/13	12/11	10/10
Freezing Level*	1900m	1800m	1900m	2100m	2300m	2200m	2200m	2300m	2200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling cooler in northerly winds which will be stronger around western hills.

Forecast for Sunday 27 Aug 2023

Weather: Any early showers in the east dying out and some brighter conditions for a time with some sunny spells. Cloud will thicken later in the day but remaining mostly dry during daylight hours, perhaps some light evening rain in the west.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 10-15mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% increasing to 90%, early low cloud will lift and clear most areas.

Low cloud and visibility: Patchy or scattered low cloud above 600m around northern hills will lift and clear during the morning, perhaps more low cloud around western ranges in the evening. Very good or excellent visibility developing during the day, perhaps moderate at first in the north.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 rising to 16 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 5 rising to 11 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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